re-commendations of the High Level Committee on Relief and the report of the Central study team approved the following ceiling of expenditure to be incurred:—

(*Rupees in lakhs*)

	Ceiling of expenditure approved.	
	1986-87	1987-88 (up to 30-6-87)
1 *Non-Plan* :		
Transportation of water.	15.00 (including transportation of water in rural areas)	20.00
2 *Plan* :		
Drilling of 200 tubewells installation of pipe line and installation of 100 tubewells with hand pumps.	80.00	20.00
TOTAL : . .	95.00	40.00

The Govt. of India has provided a sum of Rs. 2736.51 lakhs (including an amount of Rs. 4.51 lakhs for Monitoring and investigation Units) under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme. Apart from this, Rs. 2.06 crores were released for Technology Mission activities in the State. In 1987-88 a sum of Rs. 1160.00 lakhs has been releaed to the State a ad-hoc first instalment under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Govt. of Madhya Pradesh has intimated that it is providing drinking water in the villages and hamlets by drilling tubewells and providing hand pumps. About 18—20 per cent of the total plan allotment is earmarked for the tribal areas.

(e) This work is of continuing nature keeping in view the growth of population, fluctuation in ground water tuble, etc. As such no time limit has been indicated by the State Government.

Production of Soyabean

837. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are importing Soyabean with a view to run the Soyabean extraction plants in the country round the year;

(b) if so, the steps taken so far including Research and Development efforts by Government to augment the production of Soyabean in order to eliminate its import; and

(c) the extent of Central Government's help given to the States during the last three years to enable them to increase the area under Soyabean cultivation to minimise import of Soyabean?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. A sub-project for increasing Soyabeen production under the Centrally Sponsored National Oilseeds Development Project is in operation in important soyabean growing states from 1984-85. Research on soyabean has been organised under an All India Co-ordinated Research Project besides a National Researmch Centre at Indore has been established. As a result, area has increased from 6.08 lakh hac in 1980-81 to 13.02 lakh hac. in 1985-86 and production from 4.42 to 9.82 lakh tonnes in corresponding period respectively.

(c) In order to increase the area and productivity of soyabean, assistance

under the National Oilseeds Development Project is provided to important soyabean growing states on various inputs and for adoption of improved package of practices through field demonstrations. Financial assitance is released to the States for all oilseeds crops as a whole, and not on sub-project basis.

International Year of Shelter for Homeless, 1987

838. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the effects made by Government to achieve the obectives of "IYSH, 1987" during the year 1986;

(b) the physical achievement of the Central Government in the direction of providing shelter to the homeless during 1986;

(c) whether Central Government have made any efforts to avail of financial and technical support from other countries or international organisations to achieve the goal of "IYSH, 1987";

(d) if so, with what results; and

(e) if answer to part (c) above be in negative what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Housing is a State subject. However, all the State Govts./U.T. Admns. have been requested to declare atleast one of their projects as State demonstration Project and identify groups, select programmes of IYSH and examine the financial source for the implementation if IYSH projects. An Apex Committee has been set up at the Centre:—

(i) to identify possible action for the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless;

(ii) to draw up plans and programmes in the country for IYSH:

(iii) to coordinate the activities in the country in connecion with the IYSH;

(iv) to interact with the State level Apex Committees for drawing up effective action programme; and

(v) any other issue considered relevant.

The Housing and Urban Development Corporation has sanctioned 187 schemes as IYSH projects in various States/Union Territories so as to benefit about one million persons.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e). Housing is a continuing activity and efforts have been made to impress donor countries and concerned international organisations for stepping up the assistance in the Housing Sector.

Encouragement to Poultry Farming

839. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: *Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE* be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government had recently urged the State Government to encourage poultry farming in their respective states;

(b) whether the Central Poultry Development Advisory Council has since given any directions to the State Government in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details of the measures proposed by the Central Poultry Development Advisory Council?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The various measures proposed by the Central Poultry Development Advisory Council in its meeting held on 21.1.1987 which required the attention of the State Governments are as under:

1. The State Governments may be again requested for granting the poultry farming for production of eggs and table birds, the status of agriculture specially in respect of electric tariff, land laws, institutional finance and exemption of day old chicks from the levy of sales tax.

2. State/Union Territory Governments may be requested to monitor the informa-